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This Information Disclosure Statement lists prior art that has come to the attention of applicants by being cited in a Search Report issued in the corresponding European application on August 4, 2004, a copy of which is enclosed.

As is apparent from said Search Report, applicants' undersigned attorney hereby certifies pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97(e) that each item of information contained in this Information Disclosure Statement was cited in a communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

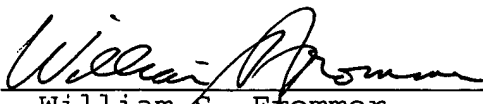
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